PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q94015

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For: METHOD OF CONTROLLING FLUID

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on March 31, 2010:

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was dated April 6, 2010.

During the interview, the following was discussed: a summary of the claims, the method of operation disclosed in the specification, and a proposed amendment to claim 3.

- 1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: none.
- 2. Identification of claims discussed: claim 3.
- 3. Identification of art discussed: JP 2003-047832.
- 4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: an amendment to claim 3 to clarify that the that the repeating of (2) to (4) switches alternately a passage of fluid "from an open position to a closed position."

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5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: The claims are non-obvious.

6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: If the proposed amendment was

adopted and a Terminal Disclaimer was filed to overcome the obviousness-type double patenting

rejection, then the proposed amendment would place the application in condition for allowance

without requiring a Request for Continued Examination to enter the amendment to the claims.

7. Results of Interview: The above agreement was reached, but no course of action was

promised.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF

INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems

otherwise, Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time which may be required to

maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such

extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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